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JOHNSTON LETTER

**Pleased With the County Fair.
Death of Mrs. Harrison Scott.
The Church Debt Paid.
A New Club.**

The Edgefield Fair afforded three very enjoyable days for many from here. It is always a pleasure to go to Edgefield, but to be there with so many attractions, made it all the more so. The exhibits were fine, and all of the floats were beautiful, some being most original, and no State Fair has ever exhibited better. The fair not only afforded sight seeing, but the meeting up with so many friends and relatives made it doubly pleasant. Several of the judges in the various departments were from here, and this courtesy was sincerely appreciated. We hope for another fair next year, and Johnston should be there with more floats, and especially one from her excellent school.

Mrs. Harrison Scott died at her home here on Friday, after only a few days illness. For many years she has been in frail health, but was able to be about with her friends, and her sudden passing away, was a shock to her many friends, and every one is grieved that this gentle, kindly woman is no more.

She was a consecrated Christian woman, and the example of her life is one for emulation. She was a loyal member of the M. E. Church; she was true to the cause of Christ, true to her friends, and true to all that was good.

Her presence in the immediate home circle and with the neighboring friends, was beautiful and sweet, and her kindly touch was often felt by needy ones, so her going to the Heavenly Home, while a sad loss to those left

She leaves a devoted four children, Mr. Mitchell, Walter, Dora, and Harry Scott.

Amelia Houston, maids with her, and two sisters and a brother reside in Augusta.

The funeral services were held on Saturday morning being conducted by her pastor, Rev. J. H. Thacker. Many beautiful flowers were placed on her casket.

Miss Emma Bouknight has gone to Dallas, Texas, as delegate from the Mary Ann Buie Chapter, D. of C., to attend the General U. D. C. Convention.

Dr. J. D. Chapman, of Greenville, visited in the home of Rev. W. S. Brooke last week, and on Wednesday evening made an excellent talk at the Baptist prayer meeting.

Mrs. John Howard Payne was hostess for the "Young Matrons' Club" on Friday afternoon, and two very happy hours were spent by this congenial party of friends. The members are all intimate friends, and every meeting is of genuine pleasure as they chat and exchange ideas. Each one brought fancy work, which occupied the fingers, while chatting merrily.

During the latter part of the time, the hostess invited all in the dining room, and here the Hallowe'en idea was well carried out. The room was decorated in the many symbols of this weird night, and all the lights had shadows of goblin faces. Autumn leaves were used in the decorations, and the table was covered with a lunch cloth decorated with a pumpkin filled with autumn leaves, around which circled witches on brooms. A tempting salad course, with coffee and whipped cream was served, and on each plate was a tiny witch on a broom.

Mrs. Reynolds has been quite ill at her home near town, but is now thought to be some better.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Payne, of Greenwood, visited relatives here for the week end.

It is a great joy to the members of the Baptist church that the debt remaining, of their new church, has been paid in full. The members responded willingly and most liberally, and there were some who were not members that aided. One of these, Mr. W. T. Walton, whose membership is at Stevens' Creek church, but who often attends here. He gave \$500, and his generous gift was sent, in an unknown way, but the donor's name became known.

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Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The November meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Milton Jones, who entertained in her accustomed kind and hospitable way.

A very encouraging number were present, and the business consisted of the decision to hold a Rummage sale on Saturday week, and some preparations were made for the observance of World's Temperance Sunday the coming Sunday in each of the schools of the town.

Little Mary Lillie Byrd recited a humorous selection about "keeping the corners of the mouth turned down."

The programme called for an experience meeting, and a number of the members responded, giving some of the benefits they had derived from becoming white ribbon adherents. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Chalmers Hughes in December.

The hostess, Mrs. Jones served a delightful salad course with whipped cream and coffee.

Red Oak Grove News.

(Written for Last Week.)

The union meeting at Clarks Hill was well attended from Red Oak Grove. Messrs. Timmerman, Griffiths, Bussey, Shelton, also Mrs. Mamie Bussey attended on Saturday, reporting good meeting, but the attendance was small, as is usually the case, and am sure the Saturday's meetings are the most instructive, at least, we find them so.

Our Sunday School is moving along very well, but we need help—the interest and enthusiasm on the part of the older church members. Most parents seemingly drift

in and out of the school, and in the

world of the future, trading knives, vis-à-vis, from house to house on Sunday, and not recognizing your S. S., is surely an unsafe method. Yes, sadly a mistake to never be recalled.

Our time is important, every moment of it, particularly the early childhood days, and we do feel, that should parents neglect then to impress upon the child the fact, that their life is not theirs to idle away, their task will grow more difficult as the years go by. Oh! what might we expect, if we should raise our boys and girls with no knowledge of the Sunday School, a duty neglected, a life incomplete.

"Our orchards and our gardens,
We till with zealous care;
But child plants neglected,
Are dropping everywhere."

The Social Circle meets on next Wednesday p. m. at Mrs. Luther Timmermans, Mrs. Mamie Bussey leader.

The Y. W. A.'s are planning somewhat for a public meeting soon. The Sunbeams are actively at work now, and like the Y. W. A.'s they have a regular and a good leader.

Mr. and Mrs. James Aiton, from Callison, Greenwood county, visited the latter's sister, Mrs. Nick Griffiths last week.

On account of sickness, our teacher at Flat Rock was prevented taking active part in Children's Day at the fair. Best wishes for the day.

Grain sowing is the order of the day, and we are glad to see it, for success is not attained on the farm without a continuous growing of crops. Seed sowing time all the while; so might it be.

The automobiles are getting to be as common around here as buggies. Several have been purchased within a short while, and we hear more are contemplated, buying with that twenty cents per lb cotton. A surer investment for one without a bank account would be to start that first, and then will have a draw coming to help run the machine.

Honor Roll of Rehoboth School.

First Grade—Eddie Culbreth.
Third Grade—Mary Winn.
Fourth Grade—Ellen Culbreth.
Eighth Grade—Kathleen Gilchrist.

MT. ZION.

**Very Successful Union Meeting.
Good Attendance. Good
Speeches. Grist Mill
and Ginnyery.**

(Written for last week.)

The event toward which our community has been looking forward for some time has come and gone. That is the Union meeting. Everything conspired to make this an exceedingly enjoyable occasion. The weather and the seasons play a very important part in our enjoyment, and the success of our plans. In these respects we were fortunate, for October, always beautiful, was never more gracious and smiling than on the opening day, and graced our meeting in her lovely dress of green, and crimson, and gold. This earth is so beautiful sometimes that it is good to be alive, just to look at it. We sometimes wonder if Heaven could possibly be more to our liking than this earth. But I meant to tell you about the Union.

On Saturday, there was not a large crowd, but there were some choice spirits among those who were there. All of the delegates did not come, nor were all of the speakers present; nevertheless, the program was carried out in full, and all of the suggested topics were discussed in interesting and instructive speeches. Those who spoke were, Revs. J. T. Littlejohn, P. B. Lanham, and J. A. Gaines, and Messrs. S. B. Mays and W. J. Gaines.

On Sunday, there was a large crowd, many visitors being present from a distance. On the church ground, a great change which has taken place in Edgefield county within the last three years was strikingly noticeable. That is, the great increase in the number of automobiles.

And our people are beginning to respect. And our people are beginning to respect. And our people are beginning to respect.

Enjoying this mode of locomotion. They can sympathize with the old negro woman who was taking her first joyous ride on the railroad train. Overcome by the rhythmic motion, she exclaimed, "Hum, hum, I'm a ridin' um some. I'm jest hittin' de groun' in de high places!"

But like the widow Bedott, I have digressed again. I must get back to the Union. The first service on Sunday morning was of course that of the Sunday School, which is conducted by Mr. W. J. Gaines. He hailed this opportunity to bring in something of fresh interest, and so secured addresses from Mr. J. H. Courtney, of Trenton, and Prof. Mellichamp, Principal of the Red Hill school. Mr. Courtney's address was on modern methods of illustrating the topic of the lesson. He did this by using object illustrations of the lesson for the day, giving altogether an entertaining and instructive address.

Prof. Mellichamp spoke on the value of faithfulness and regularity in the discharge of duty, showing that these qualities were of paramount importance in the up-building of a good Sunday School. His remarks were thoughtful, practical, and timely; and while disclaiming any ability as a speaker he showed himself no mean hand at the art.

The sermon for the morning hour was by Rev. J. T. Littlejohn, from the text, "How can two walk together except they be agreed." His subject was "Progressiveness in Mission Work" and he argued the necessity of unity among the workers for the accomplishment of this. The writer was sorry not to have heard this excellent sermon.

The dinner hour was unusually enjoyable, for the people who had jolted there in cars were more than ready for the bountiful feast which was spread before them. This is another respect in which old, or rather new, Mt. Zion is not going to be outdone. There is no church anywhere which entertains more lavishly or more cheerfully.

Assembling in the church after dinner, the congregation listened attentively to a sermon by Rev. Jos. A. Gaines, from the text, "Good Stewards of the Manifest Grace of God." "Stewardship" is the title of this discourse, it being one of a

HARDY'S HAPPENINGS.

**Sick Folks Are Returning Home.
Mrs. H. F. Cooper's Crystal
Wedding. Plenty of
Hog and Hominy.**

The sick folks were returning home Saturday. Mrs. Georgia McKie brought Mrs. Luta Baynon home with her and Mrs. Julia Townes, who had gone down with her. Mrs. Baynon had been on a visit to her friend, Mrs. Sacre, and while there, was sick the whole time. Hope now she will improve, although she was feeling quite badly Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Bunch was also quite sick Saturday night. Glad she was better Monday.

Mr. Henry McKie brought Mrs. Tom Miller home from the hospital Saturday, and carried the lady that went up with her back to Augusta in the afternoon. Glad Mrs. Miller was so much better she could leave there, and hope she will continue to improve.

While in Augusta, we met up with Mrs. H. F. Cooper, and thanked her for her kind remembrance of an old friend, by the invitation to her Crystal Wedding, Nov. 14. We hear lots of talk about it, and we suppose there will be quite a large number in attendance. We wish for them many, many, years of happiness yet to come. Hope that all things will work right so we can attend.

We also met Mrs. Williams, who moved last fall from the Cross Roads. Glad to hear that she is better than when we saw her last spring.

Mrs. Georgia McKie's baby girl, Lois, was quite sick Saturday. We have not heard how she is, but suppose she is better, as Master Willie, Misses Marjorie, Alice and Dorothy, attended services in North Augusta and brought visitors home

fine corn. That is the way for all the farmers to be, able to have plenty of hog and hominy at home, also wheat and oats for their stock. Flour is so high, also corn, meal and meat, and Irish potatoes have been very scarce and high all the year. Eggs are at a premium, also better.

We can't see how the poor people in cities are to live. Coal and wood have advanced in price, and there is a great deal of suffering, necessarily among the poor people.

The Union now came to a close, with the announcement that the next one would convene with Ebenezer church, at Trenton, on the 5th Sunday in December.

Crop gathering has been pushed forward with great rapidity in our neighborhood during this fine fall weather. Though the cotton crop is not heavy, all seem cheerful and hopeful on account of the fine price. Our people are getting good prices, too, for hogs, calves, butter, eggs, and other produce.

Mr. W. A. Pardue has been doing a fine business at his gin this fall. He has recently installed a grist mill, also, and is now turning out corn meal of excellent quality.

Miss Lillias Weeks accompanied her uncle, Dr. J. R. A. Whitlock, to his home in Tremonton, Utah, where she is to receive a liberal education before her return home. This is a piece of good fortune upon which she is to be congratulated.

Rev. Jos. A. Gaines and family spent the month of October here with his father, Mr. W. J. Gaines, while repairs were being made on the parsonage in Trenton. The work being completed, they have now gone to take up their abode in their new home.

Miss Mary Gaines is now teaching the Anderson school, near the Aiken-Augusta trolley line. She is pleasantly located, but has to use a horse and buggy to reach her school. This, though, is good from a standpoint of health and pleasure.

Miss Fannie Pardue has returned to her teaching in Lancaster county.

Very Pleasant Entertainment in Rehoboth Community.

The ladies of the Rehoboth W. M. S. entertained in a most charming manner last Saturday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. P. P. Doolittle in honor of Miss Julia Strom, the popular bride-elect of Nov. 21.

When in a round of merriment and pleasant conversation, the little honoree was unconsciously seated beneath a parasol suspended from the ceiling, Miss Lucile Culbreth, in her bright and witty manner repeated a few appropriate lines in regard to "Showers from above; Showers of love," etc., gave the parasol a tilt and the bride-elect was covered with a heavy shower of linen. Most of these beautiful gifts were the own handiwork of the members of this society.

The hall, parlor and living room were elaborately decorated in chrysanthemums, roses and ferns. After each had penned a good wish in the "Bride's book," we were invited into the dining room to partake of dainty and delicious refreshments. This room was most artistically arranged, the color scheme, white and green, being carried out in the minutest detail.

A large, white bell being above the beautifully appointed table, while streamers of green and white, and tall vases of carnations lent a charm of loveliness to the scene. The bride-elect received a tract from the President of the society. Souvenirs of dainty slippers, bearing in gold letters the date of the approaching marriage, were given to each guest.

Our little honoree wore a stylish gown of nut brown charmeuse with touches of pink, which harmonized beautifully with her rosy complexion and wealth of rich brown hair.

Miss Strom has been a faithful and efficient member of our society, and has served as treasurer for the past four years. We are loath to give her up, for in doing so, we feel that we are losing

which are precious to us.

A social dance was given on Hallowe'en night at Wise's Hall by the young ladies of Trenton. Visitors were present from Edgefield, Johnston, Aiken and Augusta. Music was furnished by a band from Aiken, and the evening will be long remembered, for the many delightful pleasures it afforded.

Miss Elberta Bland, from Aiken, came over for the masquerade Hallowe'en dance and was the guest of Miss Maude Bettis.

Friends of Mrs. Emma Atkins will be grieved to know that she is quite indisposed. She is with her sister, Mrs. Susie Miller.

Miss Dollie Bettis has returned home after a visit to Miss Agnes Flythe or Augusta.

Mrs. Emma Bouknight has gone to Dallas, Texas, to attend the National Convention U. D. C.

Mrs. J. D. Mathis, Jr., entertained her Embroidery Club on Saturday, from three-thirty till six. A salad course with tea was served.

Mrs. Sara Shuler from Batesburg and Mrs. Mamie Tillman from Edgefield were guests of Mrs. B. R. Tillman on Monday.

Miss Howard from Buck Island, was the week-end visitor of Miss Margie Ryan.

The D. A. R. had a call meeting on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. B. J. Day.

Mr. Douglass Wise from Bath, spent Sunday with the home folks.

Mrs. J. D. Mathis, Jr., entertained with two tables of bridge Saturday evening. After the game delightful refreshments were served.

Mrs. Stewart from Greenville is visiting at the home of Prof. and Mrs. Stewart.

Mr. Pearce Walker, Misses Nanie Walker and Callie Ramsey, from North Augusta, were recent guests of Mrs. J. R. Moss.

Miss Lula Roper is a welcome visitor among her relatives and friends here.

Mr. William Durisoe has returned to Washington after a visit to Mrs. Julia Holland.

Great clothes are those "new style" garments, all wool, stylish and durable. In mixtures and solid colors, \$17.50 to \$30.00.

F G Mertins, Augusta, Ga.

COUNTY FAIR.

**Large Attendance. Creditable
Exhibits. Good Address by
Col. Watson. Three Beau-
tiful Parades.**

Owing to the financial depression resulting from the war in Europe the members of the Edgefield County Fair Association made no effort to hold a fair in the falls of 1914 and 1915. But during the past summer, after the return of prosperity was evidenced on every hand, the managers decided to hold a fair this fall, November 1, 2, 3 being selected for the dates. As soon as Major R. S. Anderson returned from Washington early in October, he threw himself unreservedly into the enterprise and contributed very largely to the success of the fair. At first, he directed his attention toward putting the buildings and grounds in first-class condition, and as the date for the fair approached and during the fair he looked after many details, altogether contributing a large measure of valuable service.

The weather last week was ideal and the occasion was in some respects ideal. Some of the departments were particularly strong, notably the stock department. Some of the horses, mules and colts would have done credit to any fair in the country. Many persons were surprised that there was so much fine stock in the county. This increased attention to stock raising is one of the results of the fairs that have been held in the past. Some of the other departments were very good, the weakest being the agricultural or field crops department. Some of the few exhibits were very fine, but there should have been ten times the number. The appearance of this department was a reflection on the farmers of Edgefield county—on those who took no interest and made no exhibits.

The fair was a success in every respect. The attendance was large, the exhibits were creditable, and the address by Col. Watson was most instructive. The fair was a success in every respect. The attendance was large, the exhibits were creditable, and the address by Col. Watson was most instructive.

After the parade Thursday, Col. E. J. Watson, commissioner of agriculture, delivered an instructive address about the coming of the boll weevil and urged diversification. Col. Watson is always well received by Edgefield audiences.

The fancy work department and the household department were good, but the ladies are entitled to the credit for this. The flowers in the woman's building were also very pretty and added much to the fair. There were also some very creditable exhibits in the poultry building, but many persons who could have entered fowls made no effort to arrange an exhibit.

The ladies of the Civic League and Cemetery Association were on duty all three days, from the early hours of the morning till late in the afternoon, serving the great hungry throng. They served the large crowd wonderfully well, realizing for their work about \$400, gross.

As heretofore, the parades were very attractive features of the fair. Wednesday afternoon the parade of decorated adult and child's rigs was held, being formed as follows: Misses Hortense Woodson and Eleanor Mims, white rig and white horse, 1st prize.

Misses Marie Holson and Eileen Harling, daffodil rig with black horse, 2nd prize.

Miss Hazell Dorn, a beautiful wistaria rig with white horse.

Next came the children's rigs as follows: Misses Gladys, Ann and Mary Lawton, white rig, 1st prize.

Misses Mary and Martha Thurmond, orange rig, 2nd prize.

Jack Feltham and Effie Allen Lott, patriotic rig.

The parade Thursday afternoon was composed of trades displays, decorated automobiles and floats, as follows:

Floas: Civic League, 1st prize; W. C. T. U., 2nd prize; D. A. R., U. D. C., and a Hallowe'en float arranged by Mrs. W. L. Dunovant.

Trades displays: Collett & Mitchell, 1st prize; Israel Mukashy, 2nd prize; Dorn & Mims, M. A. Taylor, Chero-Cola Company, Edgefield

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